

REMARKS

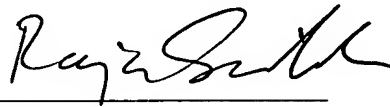
Claims 1-8 and 10-18 are all the claims pending in the application after entry of the Amendment filed on April 11, 2005. By this Amendment, Applicant is adding new claims 19-23. No new matter is added.

Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time with fee and an Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter with fee.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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